

Austin, Texas, Sept. 5, 1911

The Council was called to order by the mayor with all members present.

Mr. R. M. Castleman appeared before the Council and offered the following protest, which he asked be read upon the minutes of the Council

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Hon City Council City of Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:

I am informed that you have in contemplation entering into a contract with J.D. Johnson to rebuild the dam, formerly built by the City of Austin, and as a citizen of Austin I protest against rebuilding said dam by Johnson, the city or anyone else, for the reason that it did wash away for the want of a foundation, and on account of the report of the Government Engineer's that there is no natural foundation at this locality. I believe it will wash away again, and hereby give notice to the public through you, that if rebuilt and does wash away again - I shall hold the City of Austin responsible for any damage I may sustain either to life or property on my farm situated on the river about six miles below the City of Austin.

Respectfully,

R.M. Castleman

On motion the communication was ordered recorded in the minutes of the Council.

The Mayor laid before the Council the petition from Citizens asking to have the Pound Ordinance amended so as to exempt the sand bar on the river from the Railroad bridge to the McGill crossing, on motion the petition was refused by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart & Powell

Nays Councilman Lockridge

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

It appearing to the Council that the defendant Willie Harper was on the day of August 1911, on two complaints for assault, fined, the fine and cost in one or said causes amounting to \$19.80 and the other to \$14.80, and it appearing that the defendant is a poor man with a large family and that enforcing the collection of both of said fines would

cause his family to suffer, and the Corporation Judge recommending the remission of one of said fines: therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the fine of \$14.80 be and the same is hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, Hart, Lockridge & Powell

Nays None

Councilman Hart offered the following resolution:

- (1) that whereas there is to be held an annual convention of the International Association of Fire Engineers at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>, inclusive, where Chiefs of Fire Departments from all Cities of importance throughout the United States will gather and where exhibits of modern fire fighting apparatus and the modern mode of fire fighting will be the main features, and whereas information thus gained will be of material benefit to our Fire Department and to our City: therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin:

That the sum of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses of C.L. Woodward Chief Engineer of the Fire Department of the City, in order to enable him to attend said convention.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas meayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Bartholomew, hart, Lockridge & Powell

Nays None

The Council then adjourned.